MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I ask whether the Banking Enquiry Committee appointed by Government recommended the constitution of a Traffic Board consisting of officials and non officials ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT : I have no information of what the banking Enquiry Committee did.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI : I submit, Sir, that I am asking questions, not to any individual member personally, but to the Government who certainly ought to know about the Banking Enquiry Committee's Report.

PRESIDENT : The Government is a corporate body and questions can be put only to individual members representing Government ; in this instance, Mr. Truscott is in charge of the subject. Further, the question does not need an answer since the information asked for is available to the member himself.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI : May I know whether the Government have considered the recommendations made by the Banking Enquiry Committee ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT : I claim notice.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum-Town*) : May I know whether the Transport Committee has considered the financial aspects of the proposal of taking over the Trivandrum-Nagercoil Bus Service ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT : Yes, Sir.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI : May I know the rate that the Committee has fixed as fair rate ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT : The recommendations of the Committee are confidential.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI : Am I to take it that no particulars contained in the report can be obtained here ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT : Yes, except the information that has been given today.

Sub-Treasury at Chengannur.

69. ***MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI** : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they have received any written representation regarding the opening of a Sub-Treasury at Chengannur ; and

(*b*) the step taken hitherto on such representation ?

RAO BAHADUR A. RENGASWAMI AIYAR (*Financial Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) A representation has been received from the member himself.

(*b*) The question is under consideration.

The Kollakadavu Bridge.

70. ***MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI** : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they have considered the question of constructing the Kollakadavu bridge on the Chengannur-Mavelikara road ; and

(*b*) the steps hitherto taken towards the construction of the bridge ?

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MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The design of the bridge has been prepared. Further progress has not been made as there is no prospect of funds becoming available in the near future and there are other works of a more urgent character.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know the estimated amount for the Kollakadavu Bridge.

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT: I fear I may require some time; I claim notice.

PRESIDENT: You may place it on the table when it is available.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I ask whether they considered the urgency for the construction of the Bridge before they prepared a design for it?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT: A bridge there is certainly considered necessary. But there are other bridges which are considered more necessary at present. We have not funds for all the bridges now.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I ask whether it has not been stated in the Administration Report for 1110 that the construction of the Kollakadavu bridge is one of the urgent works to be taken up in the year 1111?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT: Yes. But we have no funds now.

Kannala bridge on the Ambalapuzha-Haripad road.

71. ❋**MR. P. SIVARAMA PILLAI** (*Minachil* cum *Todupuzha*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether their attention has been drawn to the miserable condition of Kannala bridge on the Ambalapuzha-Haripad road, as has been reported in *Bharatapatrika* dated 29-10-1112 *i. e.*, 11th July 1937; and

(*b*) if so, whether they have investigated the causes for the same and what is the result thereof?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The Chief Engineer is investigating the matter.

Alleppey-Changanachery Canal.

72. ❋**MR. N. NARAYANA KURUP** (*Ambalapuzha* cum *Shertala*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the length of the proposed Alleppey-Changanachery canal *via* Kavalam;

(*b*) the total length cut open and the costs hitherto incurred;

(*c*) the years for which budget allotments were made and the amount allotted in each year;

(*d*) when the last allotment was made;

(*e*) the annual allotment for maintenance of the said canal per mile; and

(*f*) why the canal over which a large amount is spent is not completed?

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